Households Receiving Public Assistance

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 2000 Decennial Census.

Definition: This indicator gives the total number of households that received, at any time during 1999, public assistance or welfare payments from the state or local welfare office.

Limitations: Excludes group quarter facilities and persons residing in them.

Data Detail: A **household** refers to all the persons living in a housing unit. The Census Bureau collected household income information as part of the 2000 Decennial Census. The income question was asked of a random sample of respondents and was asked in terms of calendar year 1999 income. The exact nature of the public assistance program was not specified in the question.

For More Information:

More information on the 2000 Decennial Census is available at the U.S. Bureau of the Census website: http://www.census.gov.

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